TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 280

January 23, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes Human Resource Agencies (HRAs) to conduct certain meetings by conference call or video conference and board members to cast votes by proxy under certain circumstances.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Expenditures –

Exceeds \$100/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years/Permissive

Assumptions:

- Prior to holding meetings via conference call or video conference, notice and an opportunity for the public to participate must be provided.
- Any board member seeking to vote by proxy must provide written notice 48 hours prior to the scheduled time of the board meeting.
- This analysis assumes:
 - Any HRA board member which currently receives a per diem for attending meetings will continue to receive such per diem when voting by proxy;
 - Expenditures associated with in-person meetings, such as copies of materials or refreshments for attendees, will not occur for meetings which are conducted by electronic means; and
 - o Of the nine HRAs statewide, at least one will conduct a meeting by electronic means annually.
- It is reasonably estimated that authorizing HRAs to conduct such meetings by electronic means will result in a permissive decrease in local government expenditures estimated to exceed \$100 in FY21-22 and subsequent years.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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